

REFERENDUM REJECTED

Young addresses editors at banquet

Whitney M. Young, executive director of the National Urban League, called for a "domestic Marshall Plan" to alleviate the inequalities afflicting Negroes today in the U.S. Addressing the 7th annual Overseas Press Club awards banquet for college editors in New York, Jan. 30, Young denied the charge of wanting preferential treatment for Negroes, and said such a plan would amount to no more than honest decency.

He asked for the best teachers and social workers to lend their talents to the Negroes, saying, "You wouldn't send an intern to do complicated heart surgery."

Greater Struggle

Young explained that Negroes face greater difficulties in improving their lives than did other immigrant minority groups in this country. Unlike all other groups, Young said, families of the Negro slaves were split up and sold to various owners. The basic social group, the family, was denied the Negro, in an effort to further demoralize him. Another great disadvantage the Negro alone has faced is that he couldn't lose his outstanding characteristic, the color of his skin, simply by moving to different neighborhoods or by changing his name, Young pointed out. These factors, Young said, have made the problems faced by the Negro people greater, and thus a greater effort by the society is needed to equalize the situation.

Young felt that the problem basically is a social and economic one and that the answer lies, at least partly, in a vast domestic program similar to the U.S. European Marshall Plan at the end of World War II.

The problem is not a monolithic one, Young said, with a monolithic solution. "We need a variety of skills and approaches," he added. Young went on to say that the Urban League is involved in such important work as retraining and educating people to take advantage of the rights they are gaining. "Are we involved in direct action by putting people directly into jobs?" he asked. "It takes as much guts to work in tutorial projects as to go to Mississippi, although it doesn't receive the same amount of publicity," he added. "It is not a question of militancy," Young said.

Young accused the press of accepting any self-appointed leader as a legitimate one. He recalled the newspaper coverage of the

proposed "stall-in" at the New York Worlds Fair opening. "The responsible leaders all stayed home," he said. "The press shouldn't assume that anyone who makes any bizarre statement or proposal is a genuine civil rights leader," he added.

Young also criticized the attention the press gives to Negro entertainers and personalities on the question of civil rights. "We don't ask Mickey Mantle about foreign policy, or Sinatra about our relations with Russia," Young noted. "So why ask Sammy Davis

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and Willie Mays about the civil rights question?" he asked.

Young accused the press of playing up someone like Malcolm X on the front pages, while decrying him on the editorial pages. "It isn't the Negro colleges that ask him to speak, it's Yale and Harvard," he added.

An Opportunity

Young called for a redoubled effort in the civil rights struggle on the part of college editors. He asked that civil rights be viewed as an opportunity rather than a problem. He called upon college editors to emphasize the positive aspects of the civil rights struggle rather than the violence and the tragedy it sometimes accrues.

The awards banquet, which was part of a four day conference, was held at the Columbia School of Journalism.

Students start literary review

A new Roosevelt literary magazine will appear this semester, which will include fiction, essays, and poetry from all over the city.

The magazine, according to editor Heather Nissenon, will have a very general format, and contributions on any topic will be reviewed for publication.

Literary contributions should be sent to Heather Nissenon, 9716 N. Keeler, Skokie, Illinois.

Segal resignation stops recall move

In a special meeting Jan. 27, the Student Senate rescinded a resolution calling for a general referendum to abolish Student Senate. At the same special meeting, the Senate was to consider recalling Senate President Jeff Segal. They also considered rescinding a \$100 appropriation for Judi Halprin and Lyn Cole to attend the Overseas Press Conference (OPC) in New York.

Senator Joel Goldstein, who organized the special meeting, asked the seven senators present to rescind the referendum scheduled for presentation to the student body March 8-12. The resolution to hold a general referendum was introduced by Senator Steven Bookshester at the regular Senate meeting the week before and passed 5-4.

Bookshester questioned the purposes of the Senate established by general referendum in 1947. Senator Martin Blumsack asked the Senate, "Let's stop pretending, and admit we are ineffective. Then let us reorganize and demand a greater voice within the University."

Goldstein said students should earn that greater degree of influence. He said that a referendum would be good for the Sen-



Jeffrey Segal

ate and for the student body, "but not during this election." He agreed that there is a need for stimulating a student dialogue, but proposed the Senate find some other means of achieving it. Goldstein then moved to rescind the resolution calling for a referendum, and the motion passed 6-5.

Segal Resigns

The senators present at the special meeting had planned to consider recalling Senate president Jeff Segal for reasons not made public before the meeting. In a letter released about 11:30,

Segal, who was in New York at the time, tendered his resignation effective noon, Jan. 27, which was the day of the meeting. Segal said in his letter he would appear at the first Senate meeting of the spring semester with a formal explanation.

The senators who placed Segal's recall on the agenda of the special meeting decided they need not vote to accept Segal's resignation—he had been elected by the student body, and was responsible to them alone in this matter.

Stops Check

Goldstein also proposed the Senate rescind the \$100 appropriation granted to Lyn Cole and Judi Halprin to attend the Overseas Press Club Conference in New York during semester break. Senators Kliers and Blumsack charged Treasurer Dunnigan with irresponsible action for holding up the check request to the Cashier's Office until the special meeting could be held. Blumsack said Dunnigan had deliberately ignored the wishes of the Senate in the interests of particular senators.

Goldstein's motion to rescind the appropriation was defeated, and the check issued the next day.

Wirth and Hooker elected to succeed Weil and Sheldon on Board of Trustees

Otto Wirth, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Richard J. Hooker, professor of history, were elected to the Board of Trustees during the January meeting of the Faculty Senate.

Wirth, who is to fill out the term of Acting President Rolf Weil, joined the University faculty in 1946 shortly after its inception. He feels faculty members on the Board of Trustees helps main-

tain the "bulwark of Roosevelt: 'Everyone in the University, the administration, faculty, students, and janitors, have a proprietary interest in this institution.'"

He said that Roosevelt tries to live up to its motto: "Education in an atmosphere of freedom." He feels dialogue at all levels, discussed in a speech by Chairman of the Board Lyle Spencer is the "best way of getting Board members in harness." One of the reasons for putting Faculty members on the Board is to further this dialogue in an academic atmosphere, because most Board members don't know, or have no time to study, the academic community.

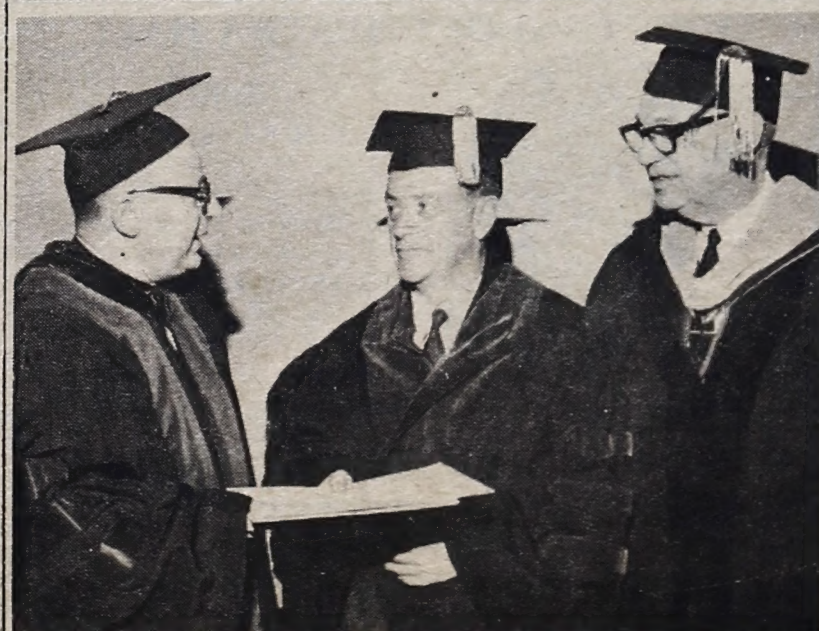
The faculty, he said, have a primary role to play in establishing the dialogue. Until Jan. 1 of last year the Faculty Senate had

an active planning committee under the direction of the late chairman of the physics department H. Horton Sheldon. At the Senate's last meeting this committee was revived, Wirth said.

Hooker joined Roosevelt in 1945 as an associate professor, and was made a full professor in 1949. He was elected to the Board to fill the vacancy left by the death of Sheldon.

Roosevelt was founded, Hooker said, with the idea that the university should be, to a degree, under the control of the faculty. This is the European system, whereas the American educational system is based on the corporation system, he said.

He is also in favor of dialogue at all levels, and believes the necessary channels exist, they merely have to be utilized.



Joseph L. Block, chairman of Inland Steel, receives an honorary degree at February, 1965, graduation exercises. Block delivered the commencement address.

Green Key Society hosts symposium on RU future

A symposium on Roosevelt's goals and future will be presented by the Green Key Society Friday at 8 p.m. in Sinha hall, room 785.

George Watson, professor of political science, will moderate a panel consisting of President Rolf Weil; Paul Johnson, dean of the graduate division; Harry Cohen, associate professor of chemistry; William Rosenthal, president of

the Alumni association; and a student to be chosen by the Student Senate.

The symposium, entitled "Education for Freedom," is "especially timely in view of the recent crisis," according to Green Key president Mitchell Vogel. The Society is an honorary activities society, composed mostly of alumni.

Torch editors receive USSPA 'Hero' award

The editors of the 1964 Torch were the recipients of the Gary Althen Memorial Hero of the Student Press award, presented by the United States Student Press Association (USSPA) at the 7th annual college editors conference hosted by the Overseas Press Club in New York, Jan. 29 through Feb. 1. The award is named for the editor of the Colorado Daily, who was fired in a controversy over the paper's remarks about Barry Goldwater and Dwight Eisenhower. The inscription reads: "The Gary Althen, Colorado Daily Memorial Award, given to the paper which, though having its editors fired, manages nearly to topple the school, too. This year to the Roosevelt Torch."

Seminars, Speeches

The four day conference included seminars and speeches at the Overseas Press Club and Columbia School of Journalism, and a briefing and luncheon at the United Nations. Among the conference speakers were Harrison Salisbury of the New York Times, Louis Nizer, and Holmes Brown of the US Office of Economic Opportunity.

Salisbury compared the standard of living in the US to that in the Soviet Union, finding the US preferable. He termed the Communist Manifesto a reactionary document, and added, "The most revolutionary document in the world today is the Sears catalogue." He went on to say that if we flew over the Soviet Union and dropped Sears catalogues, the Russian people would see how good life is in the US and would forsake Communism. Salisbury called on college editors to "challenge the unchallengeable."

Trial by Newspapers

Louis Nizer spoke on the growing disparity between freedom of the press and the right to a fair

trial. Nizer said that the press prejudices many juries by printing the backgrounds of people about to stand trial. "Much of what they print would be inadmissible in court," he said, "but the papers publish it and by so prejudicing a jury, obstruct the precious right to a fair, impartial trial."

Nizer specified the rights of the press in this area. He said it is the right of the press, under the constitution, to publish, "however, the constitution does not guarantee to the press the right to know," he said. Nizer advocated the British system which prohibits papers to publish stories until the time of trial.

Nizer feels courtroom proceedings should be covered, but nothing about the defendant or the case should be written until then. At the same time, he criticized prosecutors and defense attorneys who make prejudicial statements before trials begin.

"It is time to stop trial by newspapers which subvert our trial system in its purity," said Nizer. "When you poison the jury system you subvert the basis of democracy," he added.

Nizer proposed a "reasonable accommodation of the freedom of the press to the right to a fair trial."

War on Poverty

Holmes Brown called himself the "advocate of 30 million people who have no representation, no boundaries, no president." A member of the "War on Poverty," Brown outlined the government programs now dealing with the poverty stricken in this country.

Brown explained the purpose of the Job Corps as a training program for the school drop-outs between 16 and 21 who can't read or write at all and who are unable to get and hold jobs. The Job

Corps puts them in camps where they receive technical training. "These people don't need a college preparatory course," Brown said, "they need the technical training to hold a job." Brown said 52 sites have been selected for Job Corps camps.

VISTA

The VISTA program, which Brown described as a domestic peace corps, has had a sharp increase in applications in the last six months, he reported. He said that these proposed projects have not been vetoed by any of the

southern governors.

Community action programs are those undertaken by individual communities, Brown explained. Over 200 are now in existence. They begin by organizing and studying the needs of the community. Having analyzed the needs and decided upon the necessary remedial steps, the government gives direct financial aid to the community which forms the basis of the study.

UN Will Survive

Osgood Caruthers, UN deputy director of the press led the UN

briefing. He said there is certainly no threat of a rival UN being formed. He also expressed confidence that the UN will survive its present financial difficulties. Discussing a permanent UN police force, Caruthers said it is not a dead issue, but financing remains the greatest obstacle to its establishment.

Free Press Attends

The Free Press was represented at the conference by Lyn Cole, Judi Halprin, John Douard, Jos. Davidson, and Steve Bookshester.

Senator Nelson to call for end to Selective Service system

by Gary Porter

WASHINGTON (CPS) — Senator Gaylord Nelson (D-Wis.) has disclosed that he will introduce a Concurrent Resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the draft should be replaced by a voluntary system if national security can be fully maintained.

He also said his conclusion that the draft can be safely ended has been confirmed by representatives of the Department of Defense, who have told him that the main question is not any danger to the nation, but simply the cost of added incentives for enlistment.

In a speech before a meeting of representatives of religious, farm, labor, and voter groups, called by the National Council of Churches, Nelson said his resolution would give the public and

Congress a voice in the approaching decision on the future of the draft.

Nelson's resolution will be the boldest Congressional action thus far in the movement to replace the present Selective Service System with a voluntary plan to fill military manpower requirements. Last year Senator Kenneth Keating (R-NY) who has since been defeated, proposed a presidential commission to study the problem in depth. The Executive, however, spurned the idea in favor of an

expansion of the Department of Defense's already existing study of military manpower.

Nelson is now beginning to collect co-sponsors for the resolution, which may come before the Senate within the next month. The public decision which it is hoped the resolution will affect is due to be announced by the President following completion of the Defense Department study in April.

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Perlman appointed presidential assistant

Daniel Perlman has been newly appointed as assistant to University President Rolf A. Weil. He was formerly a counselor with the counseling and testing division, and coordinated the orientation program for incoming freshman. He will be on leave from counseling and testing to take the new job.

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End the Silence

Lyle M. Spencer's request for a dialogue at Roosevelt gave highest official recognition to a problem which has increasingly attracted the attention of many on all levels: the almost total lack of communication among student, faculty, and administration. It has become virtually impossible to plan constructively for the future and will remain so as long as each of the Three Estates of the academic community remains ignorant of the other two. Spencer's dialogue is not a philosophical luxury; it is a vital necessity.

This much needed dialogue at Roosevelt will not occur merely because the Chairman of the Board of Trustees has requested one. Positive steps must be taken to initiate the dialogue and provide for its

survival in an environment unaccustomed to a dialogue.

Though much needs to be done to encourage dialogue, a start has to be made somewhere. We suggest each department assume the responsibility of hosting one in a series of coffee-hours at one o'clock Wednesdays in the Faculty Lounge. Each department would take a turn until all twenty-six departments have hosted one coffee-hour, and then the series would begin anew. These would not be seminars or lectures-with-coffee-served, but informal get-togethers between students and faculty.

Coffee-hours alone will not solve the basic communications problem, but it will be a needed step in the right direction.

15 Minutes by Air

As Roosevelt students begin to settle in for a quiet semester of college education, a perilous war game is being played in Viet Nam. Since there are such things as missiles and nuclear bombs we cannot ignore this war.

Viet Nam is no longer a far away corner of the world. Today it is the center of the world. Tomorrow it may be the center of a war, in which none of us are soldiers but in which we all might be victims.

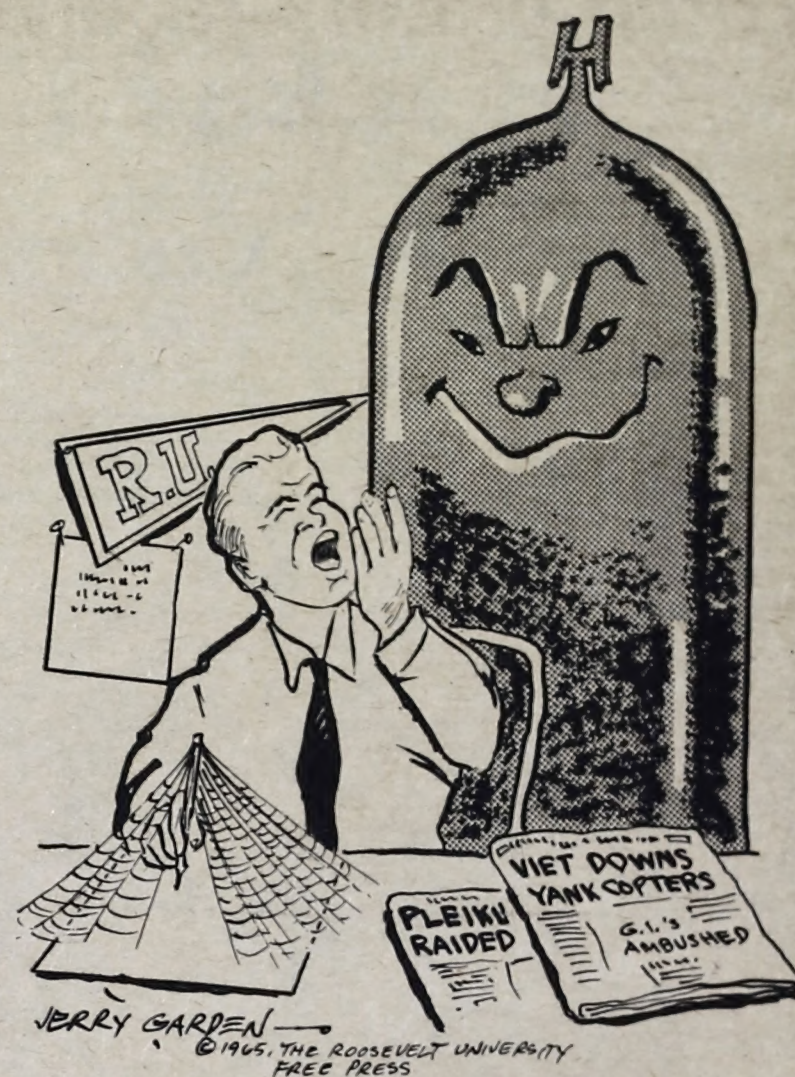
Roosevelt students cannot ignore this crisis, which demands the attention and concern of everyone who plans to stay in this world.

Viet Nam is somewhat of an open question today. Our government needs direc-

tion in formulating a continuing policy in Asia. Now is the time for each of us to examine our thoughts and feelings about Viet Nam. Now is the time to influence our government's decision making process. But to influence the policy of our government, we must have coherent statements and constructive proposals to offer.

Let us begin to learn the facts about Viet Nam and engage in an exchange of ideas about this vital subject. Crisis prohibits the luxury of apathy.

The Free Press maintains an open forum for opinion in its letters columns. We are confident that Roosevelt students and faculty are concerned enough to express their feelings and achieve a true exchange of ideas about Viet Nam.



'VIET (YAWN!) WHAT?'

Music dept. holds meetings

To the Free Press:

Kindly note before generalizing: Chicago Musical College does have all sorts of get-togethers, formal—such as every Wednesday from 12:45 to 2:00 in the form of weekly concerts—and informal, the latter in a variety of private ways which need no ballyhooing, no publicity, nor anything forced about them (as this suggestion seems to be).

I suggest the thought that a university is a place to learn to

study, and to exchange ideas—but not by being forced to do so.

FELIX GANZ

Praise for Free Press

To the Free Press:

Your policy of releasing editorials for comment before publication is truly a step toward breaking the barriers to communication in the school. The proposal of the coffee-hour seems to be one possible way of beginning "the dialogue."

LOIS FINK

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Rooker and Creanza to draft proposal For union-dormitory at Favor-Ruhl site

Plans are now under way for the Roosevelt student union-dormitory facilities to be built where the Favor-Ruhl building now stands, just north of the University on Wabash.

University treasurer William E. Rooker said in an interview that he and Joseph Creanza, dean of the music school, would review architectural plans previously drawn up for the building and draft a proposal to be presented to the Housing and Home Finance Agency. The Agency is responsible for administering federal funds for the college housing program under the housing act of 1950, Rooker said.

He pointed out, however, that the act provides funds for housing facilities only, and another way to finance the student union would have to be found. If the application is accepted, federal funds will provide 90 per cent of the cost of the dormitory facilities, and the University will have to pay the remaining 10 per cent. Several other possibilities for financing the building are being considered, according to Rooker.

Though faculty and student ideas on the new building will be

welcomed and seriously considered, Rooker said, the decision will fall ultimately on the administration. The final proposal will go through the Administrative Council.

The Favor-Ruhl building is now being used to house University records, according to Daniel Perlman, assistant to the president. Edwin Turner, director of the physical education department, has also asked for space for tennis and golf practice.

Roosevelt bought the Favor-

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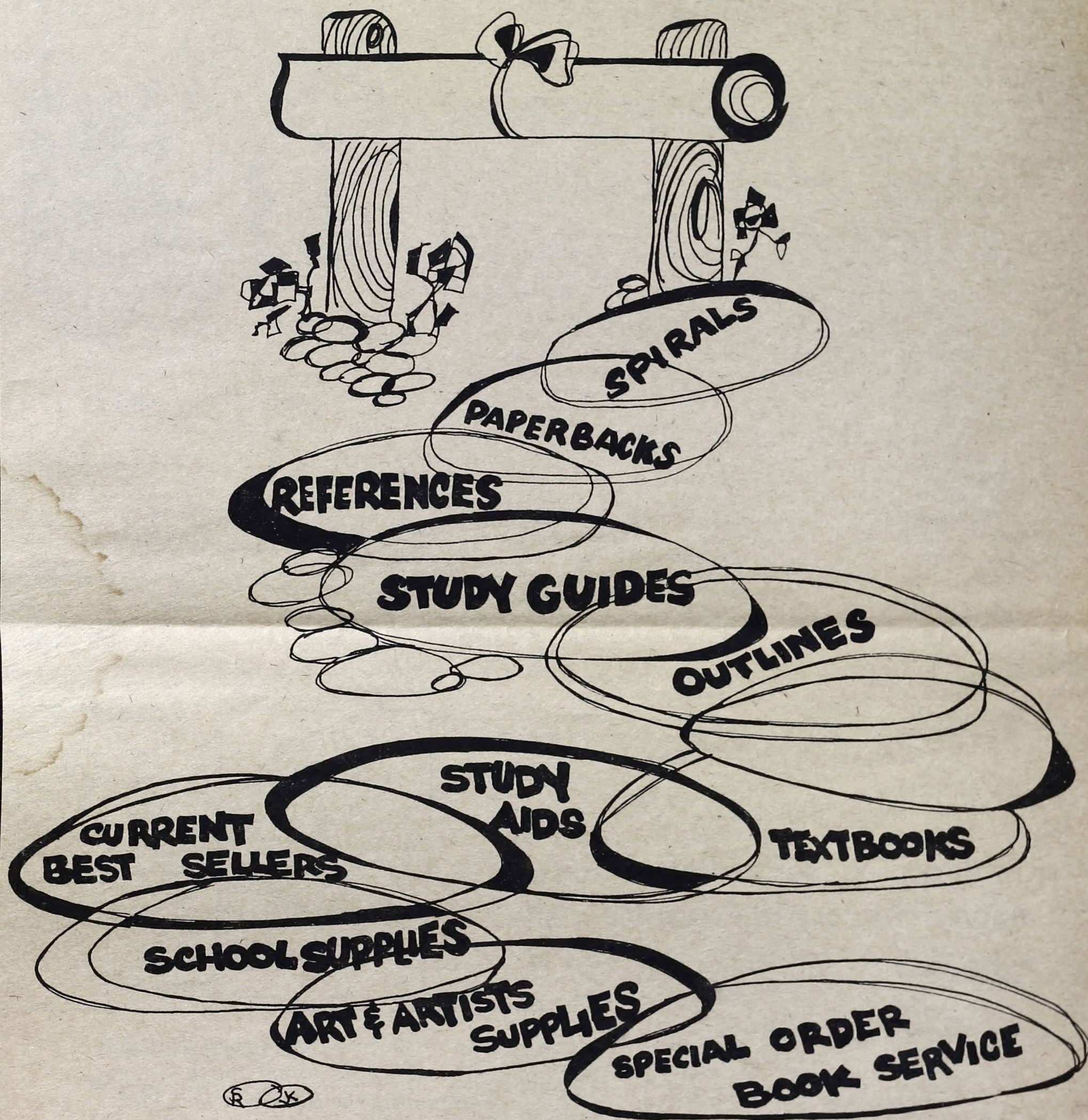
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